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Table IS2.1

(Thousands of United States dollars)

1994-1995 approved estimates	*1996-1997 estimates*	*Estimated increase (decrease)*
60 929.8	**81 832.4**	**20 902.6**

Table IS2.2 **Summary by individual source of income**

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Source	*1994-1995 approved estimates*	*1996-1997 estimates*	*Increase (decrease)*
A. Income from rental of premises	13 606.3	16 231.9	2 625.6
B. Reimbursement for services provided to specialized agencies and others	20 567.5	34 237.7	13 670.2
C. Bank interest	2 305.1	1 102.2	(1 202.9)
D. Sale of used equipment	605.2	719.6	114.4
E. Refund of previous years' expenditure	2 098.3	2 827.4	729.1
F. Contributions of non-member States	7 108.4	7 968.6	860.2
G. Television and similar services	901.8	1 218.0	316.2
H. Reimbursement by the specialized agencies of their share of the costs of ICSC	6 416.5	7 823.9	1 407.4
I. Reimbursement by the specialized agencies of their share of the costs of JIU	5 067.8	7 096.3	2 028.5
J. Miscellaneous income	2 252.9	2 606.8	353.9
Total	**60 929.8**	**81 832.4**	**20 902.6**

A. Income from rental of premises

IS2.1 The estimates under this heading, for which details are shown in table IS2.3, relate to the payment of rentals by a number of specialized agencies and other entities connected with the activities of the Organization for the occupancy of United Nations premises in New York, Geneva, Addis Ababa, Bangkok and Nairobi. The decreases relating to Headquarters ($267,700) and the United Nations Office at Geneva ($634,400) result basically from several agencies vacating United Nations premises and entering into their own rental arrangements. With respect to Geneva, the projected decrease related to loss of rental income was partially offset by increased rental rates and the appreciation of the Swiss franc compared to the United States dollar. The significant increase ($3,638,200) with respect to Nairobi, reflects the full rental income on space chargeable to UNEP and other tenants at Gigiri. It may be recalled that for the biennium 1994-1995, part of the rental income was utilized for the balance of a loan repayment by the United Nations to UNEP. Repayment by the United Nations to UNEP is expected to be completed during 1994-1995. The estimates for ESCAP ($520,000) and ECA ($576,000) reflect an increase ($57,500) and a decrease ($168,000), respectively, owing to currency fluctuations.

Table IS2.3

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Source	*1994-1995 approved estimates*	*1996-1997 estimates*	*Increase (decrease)*
Headquarters, New York	4 186.5	3 918.8	(267.7)
United Nations Office at Geneva	6 535.5	5 901.1	(634.4)
ECA, Addis Ababa	744.0	576.0	(168.0)
ESCAP, Bangkok	462.5	520.0	57.5
United Nations Office at Nairobi	1 677.8	5 316.0	3 638.2
Total	**13 606.3**	**16 231.9**	**2 625.6**

B. Reimbursement for services provided to specialized agencies and others

IS2.2 The expected income under this heading is outlined in table IS2.4. The estimates relating to the Vienna International Centre are based on: (a) General Assembly resolution 49/237, in which the Assembly requested the Secretary-General to proceed to establish a unified conference-servicing facility at the Vienna International Centre under the management of the United Nations; (b) current arrangements for the Security and Safety Service; and (c) other general services. During the biennium 1996-1997, discussions will be held with the other organizations at the Vienna International Centre on cost-sharing arrangements for both joint and common services. These may lead to revised cost-sharing formulas that would affect income in the coming biennium. Any changes in the estimates of income will be reported in the performance report. As regards telecommunications services, the significant increase ($2,700,000) reflects inclusion of income from that source. It will be recalled that the share of the anticipated income ($2,000,000) from that source that would normally have accrued to income section 2 for the biennium 1994-1995 was excluded, in view of the Secretary-General's proposal to utilize that income to provide for

the progressive development and operation of the global United Nations telecommunications network and be responsive to the needs of user organizations. Pending action by the General Assembly on the Secretary-General's proposals in that regard, the normal share of estimated income from this source is included under this section.

IS2.3 The significant reduction ($447,500) in the estimates for language training at Geneva is due to various policy changes in response to an internal audit report. As a consequence, language training provided to the European Organization for Nuclear Research was discontinued during the biennium 1994-1995, resulting in an anticipated loss of revenue ($235,600); and, *inter alia*, fees charged for language/other training to specialized agencies and other outside entities were streamlined ($211,900).

Table IS2.4

(Thousands of United States dollars)

Source	*1994-1995 approved estimates*	*1996-1997 estimates*	*Increase (decrease)*
Headquarters, New York			
Telecommunications services	—	2 700.0	2 700.0
Services of radio operator provided to UNRWA	234.7	234.7	—
Services rendered by the New York Computer Service	648.7	515.5	(133.2)
United Nations Office at Geneva			
Reproduction and distribution of documents and other services	439.3	496.7	57.4
Language training	673.2	225.7	(447.5)
Vienna International Centre			
Share of common service costs met by UNIDO and IAEA	16 528.4	28 016.5	11 488.1
Economic Commission for Africa			
Language training	43.2	48.6	5.4
Advances			
Advance to UNIDO	2 000.0	2 000.0	—
Total	**20 567.5**	**34 237.7**	**13 670.2**

C. Bank interest

IS2.4 On the basis of recent experience, an estimated $1,102,200 of interest is expected to be paid by banks on balances in United Nations accounts during 1996 and 1997.

D. Sale of used equipment

IS2.5 The estimate of $719,600, an increase of $114,400, is projected on the basis of actual income earned from 1990 through 1994.

E. Refund of previous years' expenditure

IS2.6 An estimate of $2,827,400 is expected to be refunded from prior years' expenditure based on actual income performance for the period 1990 to 1994.

F. Contributions of non-member States

IS2.7 Under the terms of rule 160 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and regulation 5.9 of the Financial Regulations of the United Nations, States that are not members of the United Nations but participate in certain of its activities contribute towards the expenses of such activities at rates to be determined by the General Assembly. By its resolution 44/197 B of 21 December 1989, the General Assembly endorsed the revised assessment procedures for non-member States contained in paragraphs 50 to 52 of the report of the Committee on Contributions (A/44/11 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1). The procedures provide for assessment of contributions on the basis of a flat annual fee calculated at the beginning of each year. The estimate of $7,968,600 under this heading relates to contributions expected from non-member States in 1996-1997 on the basis of the contributions payable for the year 1995.

G. Television and similar services

IS2.8 Income from television and similar services is estimated at $1,218,000 on the basis of a trend analysis for the period 1990 through 1994.

H. Reimbursement by the specialized agencies of their share of the costs of the International Civil Service Commission

IS2.9 Paragraph 3 of article 21 of the statute of the International Civil Service Commission (ICSC), as approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 3357 (XXIX) of 18 December 1974, provides that the expenditures of the Commission are to be shared by the participating organizations in a manner to be agreed upon by them. In accordance with the agreement reached, the cost of ICSC is apportioned in each biennium on the basis of statistics assembled by the Consultative Committee on Administrative Questions

on the total number of staff encumbering posts of the participating organizations at the close of the biennium 1990-1991. On this basis, it is anticipated that on this occasion the specialized agencies will reimburse the United Nations to the extent of approximately 71.77 per cent of the Commission's total cost. The estimate of $7,823,900, at 1996-1997 rates, results from the application of that percentage to the estimated requirements for the Commission, as shown under expenditure section 27, Jointly financed administrative activities, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997.

I. Reimbursement by the specialized agencies of their share of the costs of the Joint Inspection Unit

IS2.10 Article 20 of the statute of the Joint Inspection Unit (JIU), which was approved by the General Assembly in its resolution 31/192 of 22 December 1976, stipulates that the Unit's expenditures are to be shared by the participating organizations in a manner to be agreed upon by them. The Consultative Committee on Administrative Questions at its eighty-first session, agreed that the formula to be applied for sharing the cost of JIU should henceforth be derived from the expenditure reported in the audited accounts of the participating organizations excluding: (a) expenditure related to peace-keeping; (b) expenditure in kind (including the value of donated commodities); and (c) 50 per cent of the expenditure of the International Trade Centre UNCTAD/GATT corresponding to the GATT share, on the principle that the regular budget of the Centre was funded in equal parts by GATT and the United Nations. On this basis, it is estimated that on this occasion the participating organizations would reimburse the United Nations to the extent of approximately 78.66 per cent of the Unit's cost. The estimate of $7,096,300, at 1996-1997 rates, results from the application of that percentage to the estimated requirements for the Unit, as shown under expenditure section 27 of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997.

J. Miscellaneous income

IS2.11 Various receipts that cannot properly be classified under any of the preceding sub-items are included under this heading. The estimate of $2,606,800 is based on the experience over several bienniums.